
Terry Halvorsen



Acting, Department of Defense, Chief Information Officer



Mr. Terry Halvorsen began serving as the Acting, Department of Defense (DoD), Chief Information Officer (CIO) effective May 21, 2014. He serves as the principal advisor to the Secretary of Defense for Information Management/Information Technology and Information Assurance as well as non-intelligence Space systems, critical satellite communications, navigation, and timing programs, spectrum and telecommunications. He provides strategy, leadership, and guidance to create a unified information management and technology vision for the Department and to ensure the delivery of information technology based capabilities required to support the broad set of Department missions.

Prior to his selection to be the Acting DoD CIO, Mr. Halvorsen served as the Chief Information Officer (CIO) of the Department of the Navy (DON). As the DON CIO, Mr. Halvorsen headed the Office of the DON CIO and was the DON's senior official and advisor on matters related to Information Management (IM), Information Technology (IT)/cyberspace (including national security systems) and Information Resources Management (IRM).

Prior to becoming the DON CIO, Mr. Halvorsen was the Deputy Commander, Navy Cyber Forces. He began serving in this position in January 2010 as part of the Navy Cyber reorganization. Previous to this, Mr. Halvorsen served as the Deputy Commander, Naval Network Warfare Command. He was responsible for providing leadership for over 16,000 military and civilian personnel and supporting over 300 ships and approximately 800,000 computer network users, all globally dispersed. In this position he was responsible for the business performance of Navy network operations, space operations, information operations and knowledge management. Mr. Halvorsen was directly involved in establishing governance structure, processes and mechanisms to optimize over \$8 billion in Navy resources.

Mr. Halvorsen entered the Senior Executive Service in July 2004 as the Executive Director, Naval Personnel Development Command, responsible for overseeing all individual training in the Navy. Mr. Halvorsen was personally selected for the Chief of Naval Operations-directed Executive Review of Navy Training, which resulted in the Navy's Revolution in Training. At the conclusion of this project, Mr. Halvorsen was selected as the Director of Task Force Excel Atlantic, charged with improving the effectiveness and efficiency of Navy training. He also served as the Manpower, Personnel, Training and Education CIO. In February 2006 Mr. Halvorsen was designated Acting Executive Director, Naval Education and Training Command.

Mr. Halvorsen entered Federal Civil Service in 1985 as the Curriculum Instructional Standards Officer for Navy Cryptology Training, Corry Station, Pensacola, Fla. He has held numerous positions in the training community to include Deputy for C41 Training, Director Training Policy and Standards, and Director of Assessment, where he was one of the principal architects of the Navy's training reengineering efforts.

He graduated with honors from Widener University with a degree in history. He was a distinguished military graduate and a George C. Marshall award winner. Following graduation, Mr. Halvorsen was commissioned a Regular Army 2LT in May 1980 and attended Army Officer Basic Course and the Intelligence Officer Course. His first assignment was Executive/Operations Officer, Army Intelligence Detachment Pensacola, supporting the Army's training with the Navy. During this tour, Mr. Halvorsen obtained a master's degree in educational technology from the University of West Florida.

Mr. Halvorsen's active and reserve tours include Commander, Intelligence Security Detachment Combat Support Coordination Team 1, Republic of Korea; Operations Officer, Directorate of Security, Fort Benning; Commander HHC 361st Civil Affairs Brigade (CAB); Intelligence Officer 361st CAB; and Executive Assistant to the Commanding General, 350th CA Command. Mr. Halvorsen was recalled to active duty numerous times in support of Operation Just Cause, Desert Storm and Joint Task Forces in Central and South America.

Mr. Halvorsen's personal awards include the Superior Civilian Service, Meritorious Civilian Service, Legion of Merit, Joint Meritorious Service Medal, and Meritorious Service Medal. He is a Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow and an Excellence in Government Leadership Fellow.